

# THE WEEKLY BANNER

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Thursday, Oct. 9, 1890.

SENATOR COKE arrived in Waco Sunday.

The business outlook in Mexico was never better.

The National Choctaw council convened Monday at Tusahoma.

The editors of Alliance papers have been in session in Austin.

Troops have been ordered to Dublin to give aid to the landlords.

MINISTER PHELPS spends \$9000 a year more than his salary in Germany.

Monday the Germans at St. Louis turned out 37,000 strong in a parade.

A boiler explosion at Johnsonville killed one man and fatally injured two others.

The renegade Apache, Kid, is said to have killed six scouts in Arizona recently.

Mrs. McBee and her three children were burned to death at Dubuque, Iowa, Sunday morning.

TOMMY RYAN and Con Doyle Sunday fought a brutal prize battle at Shelby, Ind. Ryan whipped.

HARVARD COLLEGE has a freshman class this year of 375 members, the largest ever entered at the institution.

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL contemplates calling an extra session of the legislature of Ohio, to convene the 14th instant.

The railway mail service will hereafter be under the direct supervision of the second assistant postmaster general.

It is said that the czar has his food tasted for him before he partakes of it. He lives in dread of being assassinated.

The report from Ireland says the National league is in straitened circumstances for funds to carry on their campaign.

Austria and Germany have come to an understanding and will discriminate against exports from the United States.

Horatio Hines and Frank Hoffman were Sunday arrested in Missouri, charged with robbing the train at Otterville, Mo.

THE HON. HONORE Mercier, premier of the province of Quebec, says the effect of the new tariff on Canada will be serious.

A FAMINE seems inevitable for Ireland, and unless funds are sent there immediately there will be much want, suffering, sickness and death.

The fine stallion Bismarck, driven by Myers, his owner, yesterday ran into a buggy, killing the horse instantly and fatally wounding Myers.

R. W. RATHBONE, a member of Chicago's "four hundred," has instituted suit for \$75,000 against a Dr. Chisolm of New York for alienating his wife's affection.

ALLEN G. THURMAN will be 77 years old on November 13. He will be tendered a banquet by the Columbus Thurman club. Ex-President Cleveland will attend.

Second Lieut. B. C. Morse, Twenty-third Infantry, has been detailed to duty as military professor at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, College Station, Tex.

The police of New York are taking the census. If there is any refusal to answer questions there will be no report, but arrests by the census men. New York will in all probability get a fair count.

At the monthly inspection of the Light Guard Friday night there was a most enjoyable social hop, and lovers of terpsichore tripped the "light fantastic toe" until a late hour.

At Lake Pearl, Mass., Monday last A. H. Heilborn and Thomas Richards made an attempt to swim a mile, run a mile, walk a mile and ride a bicycle a mile inside of one hour. Heilborn accomplished the feat in 54 minutes 9.35 seconds, and Richards in 54 minutes 15 seconds.

It is excusable for a negro politician to go among his people arraying them against the democratic party, and it is not unexpected, but the white man who furnishes them aid and comfort, becomes their ally and the enemy of his own people. There is no excuse for a white man leaving his own district to demoralize another section in which he is not interested, and the man who does it renders himself obnoxious to the people, regardless of past social standing.

The English authorities are investigating the habit of ether drinking, which is said to be spreading in that country, many persons using ether as a substitute for alcoholic liquors.

The county road amendment should not be forgotten at the approaching election. Good country roads are of almost as much importance as the regulation of the railroads.

An Austin telegram conveys the news that Attorney-General Hogg will go to Washington to argue the validity of the penal code of Texas before the Supreme court of the United States.

The Republicans of Idaho are scared up. The Mormon votes is uncertain, and while the Republicans will probably succeed, the anxiety and vigor canvass is an indication of Democratic gains.

The Fraternal Record, published at Memphis, Tennessee, seems to take a fiendish delight in assailing and misrepresenting the American Legion of Honor, which order seems to have, in some way, incurred its displeasure. Personal journalism is always a failure, and is not entitled to either respect or recognition.

A COMPANY with a capital of \$20,000,000 has been formed in Chicago to build airships that proposes to circle the globe in five days. The inventors, if they accomplish half what they claim will make Nellie Ely and George Francis Frain trips around the world sound in comparison like there were centuries between them.

CONSUL-GENERAL NEW says that he has come home on private business, and that he will remain until after election in Indiana. It ought not to be difficult to imagine the character of Mr. New's private business. He is probably engaged in paying for the Consul-Generalship that his friend Harrison gave him.

Two beggars, named Jakubowski and Wasilewski, who for years have solicited alms before the doors of the Keif Cathedral, have just retired and set up as renters. Jakubowski possesses a house worth \$10,000 and has a sum of \$33,000 lodged at the Reichsbank. Wasilewski has invested all his earnings in property and owns two houses of the value of \$37,000 each, which he lets.

The tariff bill goes into effect October 8th 1890. February the 1st is designated as the time which bonded deposits are to be withdrawn else the forgetfulness to take out the owners will be reminded of its full force and effect by the tariff rates for such having been affixed. The taxes imposed on them are exorbitant and it is hoped the time for such high handed injustice will be limited by oppressed and wronged people.

It is reported that Speaker Reed has his eye on the presidency. He should bear in mind that Secretary Blaine has his eye on him, and that the effect of that glance is withering to all such aspirants. The present secretary of state is of the opinion that there is only one man in Maine who is big enough for that office, and that one is not Reed. Of the two evils, we always take the less. Give us Blaine in preference to Reed.

A CONVENTION of Texas Real Estate men has been called to meet at Waco, Thursday, Oct. 16th 1890. The meeting is called by the Waco Board of trade and request all business men interested in the present and future development of Texas to be present. The object of the meeting is to devise ways and means to advertise the resources of Texas during the fall, winter and coming spring.

It looks as if the chewing of gum in church would break up the most fashionable M. E. Church in Jersey City. The charge in question was made against Mrs. Autenreith's two daughters, and it appeared under the designation of "improper conduct." Mrs. Autenreith is making things warm for the Board of Trustees and the minister, and the knotty question may be solved by the breakup of the congregation and the departure of the minister elsewhere.

There is no use in trying to unload the blame for the fraudulent Republican census upon the Democratic majority in a former House of Representatives. If Cleveland had been President there would not have been an incompetent corps of enumerators, selected by partisan district committees in defiance of the Civil Service statutes. Nor would the Census Bureau have been managed unscrupulously with a view to partisan advantage. There is nothing to be gained by attempting to detract from the responsibility of Republican Administration for the effort to cheat Democrats Districts out of members of Congress.

## SECRETARY WINDOM.

The Government of the United States, personified for the occasion by Secretary Windom, has come up nobly to the help of Wall street speculators. It may be best that this is so, but if it is, it is not because these speculators are deserving of any consideration. It is because by helping them out their operations may be rendered innocuous so far as the rest of the country is concerned. These speculators, who were engaged in cornering crops, and other similar harmful operations, could well be left to their fate, were it not that their downfall would drag innocent parties down with them. Secretary Windom also came up nobly to the aid of Mexico by issuing a circular shutting out silver ore from coming into the United States. As a result of his order the smelting and refining industry of border cities in Texas was crushed at one fell swoop. Some of them moved into Mexico and American capitalists built others there, until now if the law was repealed, it could not help the United States. Secretary Windom protected Mexico against American competition in refining and smelting until now her own industries are flourishing, while thousands of people are thrown out of employment and millions of dollars sunk in useless works and machinery on her own frontier. Mexico doubtless feels grateful. But language is inadequate to express the feelings of those who have seen their hard earnings cut off by that iniquitous circular known as the Windom circular.

## AID THE SUFFERING IN IRELAND.

The following call, signed by the mayor and prominent citizens, was issued at Galveston Saturday. It speaks for itself. People of Galveston: The shadow of a coming calamity darkens the homes of millions of our fellow-men. The specters of starvation and its hand maiden, pestilence, are marching on the people of Ireland. By no crime by no fault of their own, does this terror crouch by the hearthstones of her people. A few weeks, and the horrors of former years of famine, thousands of stalwart men, fair women, and clinging infants dying of starvation by the roadside, their corpses gathered coffiless to nameless sepulchre in trenches, will again darken the land. Separated by an ocean from this afflicted people, we are bound to them by the ties of a common humanity. They are our neighbors, of kindred race and blood, one with us in the joys and sorrows of life and the hopes of immortality. We invite you to join us in mass meeting at Harmony hall Monday evening next for the purpose of uniting in an effort to avert this doom of an afflicted people. The hour of trial is at hand. You have never hitherto failed nobly to respond to the cry of suffering humanity. The anguish is the eyes of trusting womanhood and the smiling lips of infancy, unconscious of impending doom, appealing to you for instant succor, for the boon of life. To the rescue. Come!

## WHAT DID CONGRESS DO?

The Republicans who are in control of affairs National are responsible for the actions of the recently adjourned Congress, and this is what they done. They succeeded in practicing diminishing the surplus. They chose the worst tyrant for Speaker that ever occupied the chair; white washed a commissioner of pensions who has trafficked on his office as if it was a chief article of commerce; it raised a narrow margin of three majority to over twenty-five by an utter disregard of election returns. It has legislated from start to finish in favor of capital against labor. It attempted to pass an infamous force bill. This Congress goes before the country and asks upon this record to again be entrusted with the power it has so ungenerously and unjustly misused. Will the people indorse such a record?

## A CURIOUS TREE.

There is to be seen a few miles from the outskirts of Richmond Texas, says an exchange, a natural curiosity, the like of which is to be found nowhere else in the world. It is an enormous oak tree literally suspended in the air. It stands in the midst of a dense grove known as Bentley's wood, and is made quite a show of. The mystery of its suspension is that many hunting parties have camped beneath it during a period of many years. Their fires have gradually burned the trunk away for a distance of six feet, but its large and spreading branches are so entwined in those of the trees growing closely about it that it is supported by them. Just how its huge bulk is nourished is a mystery, but that it is well nourished is evident, for it is green and flourishing.

The grand jury at Columbia, Tex., has found twenty-seven indictments for murder in its investigations of the recent Eagle Lake tragedy.

The Dallas Times-Herald has got a big advertisement in the \$80,000 libel suit brought against it by Laing & Smoot.

## Political Chicanery Robs a Good Republican out of an Honest Nomination.

To the Republicans of Washington county: I have been nominated by the Republican County Convention held on the 11th of September 1890 for representative to the Legislature for the year 1891. I am a native born citizen of this county, and have resided here for the past twenty years. I am a member of the Western District appeared in both conventions in the interest of the white Republican; his Lily White policy met with a vigorous protest by the writer. I was sustained by real Republicans of the convention and my action approved by 200 honest Republicans of the county, which Eriek, the great, attempted to disfranchise by his white policy. 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